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For: TRANSFER GRIPPER FOR A GRIPPER WEAVING LOOM

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Official Action mailed February 14, 2006 in the above application. Reconsideration of the rejection of the claims of this application is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

ABSTRACT

A fresh abstract is provided on a separate page below in accordance with the request of the examiner. This abstract corresponds essentially with the abstract provided in the published International Application No. PCT/EP2002/010613 of which this application is the U.S. national stage.

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION:

The specification is amended as shown on the pages that follow under the heading "AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION". No new matter has been introduced in the amendments to the specification.

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AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". This listing of claims includes all current amendments and the status of all claims previously presented. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.